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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME **under C.F.R. § 1.136(a)**

Sir:

For replying to the Office action dated **March 8, 2006** in the patent application identified above, Applicant(s) hereby request an extension of time of **three months**, from **June 8, 2006** to **September 8, 2006**.

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Respectfully submitted,

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